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- (A) The C/P sector's annual allocation of Pacific whiting;
- (B) The C/P coop's actual retained and discarded catch of Pacific whiting, salmon, Pacific halibut, rockfish, groundfish, and other species on a vessel-by-vessel basis;
- (C) A description of the method used by the C/P coop to monitor performance of cooperative vessels that participated in the fishery;
- (D) A description of any actions taken by the C/P coop in response to any vessels that exceed their allowed catch and bycatch; and
- (E) Plans for the next year's C/P coop fishery, including the companies participating in the cooperative, the harvest agreement, and catch monitoring and reporting requirements.
- (ii) The annual coop report submitted to the Council must be finalized to capture any additional fishing activity that year and submitted to NMFS by March 31 of the following year before a coop permit is issued for the following year.

(4) Cease fishing report. As specified at §660.160(c)(5), the designated coop manager must submit a cease fishing report to NMFS indicating that harvesting has concluded for the year.

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§ 660.114 Trawl fishery—economic data collection program.

- (a) General. The economic data collection (EDC) program collects mandatory economic data from participants in the trawl rationalization program. NMFS requires submission of an EDC form to gather ongoing, annual data for 2011 and beyond, as well as a one-time collection in 2011 of baseline economic data from 2009 through 2010.
- (b) Economic data collection program requirements. The following fishery participants in the limited entry groundfish trawl fisheries are required to comply with the following EDC program requirements:

Fishery participant	Economic data collection	Who is required to submit an EDC?	Consequence for failure to submit (In addition to consequences listed below, failure to submit an EDC may be a violation of the MSA.)
(1) Limited entry trawl catcher ves- sels.	(i) Baseline (2009 and 2010) economic data.	All owners, lessees, and charterers of a catcher vessel reg- istered to a limited entry trawl en- dorsed permit at any time in 2009 or 2010.	(A) For permit owner, a limited entry trawl permit application (including MS/CV-endorsed limited entry trawl permit) will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that permit owner associated with that permit is submitted, as specified at §660.25(b)(4)(i). (B) For a vessel owner, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, changes in vessel registration, vessel account actions, or if own QS permit, issuance of annual QP or IBQ pounds) will not be authorized until the required EDC for that owner for that vessel is submitted, as specified, in part, at §660.25(b)(4)(v) and §660.140(e).
			(C) For a vessel lessee or charterer, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, issuance of annual QP or IBQ pounds if own QS or IBQ) will not be authorized, until the required EDC for their operation of that vessel is submitted.
	(ii) Annual/ ongoing (2011 and be- yond) economic data.	All owners, lessees, and charterers of a catcher vessel reg- istered to a limited entry trawl en- dorsed permit at any time in 2011 and beyond.	(A) For permit owner, a limited entry trawl permit application (including MS/CV-endorsed limited entry trawl permit) will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that permit owner associated with that permit is submitted, as specified at §660.25(b)(4)(i). (B) For a vessel owner, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, changes in vessel registration, vessel account actions, or if own QS permit, issuance of annual QP or IBQ pounds) will not be authorized until the required EDC for that owner for that vessel is submitted, as specified, in part, at §660.25(b)(4)(v) and §660.140(e).
			(C) For a vessel lessee or charterer, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, issuance of annual QP or IBQ pounds if own QS or IBQ) will not be authorized, until the required EDC for their operation of that vessel is submitted.
(2) Motherships.	(i) Baseline (2009 and 2010) economic data.	All owners, lessees, and charterers of a mothership vessel that received whit- ing in 2009 or 2010 as recorded in NMFS' NORPAC database.	(A) For permit owner, an MS permit application will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that permit owner associated with that permit is submitted, as specified at §660.25(b)(4)(i). (B) For a vessel owner, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, changes in vessel registration) will not be authorized until the required EDC for that owner for that vessel is submitted, as specified, in part, at §660.25(b)(4)(v).

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Fishery participant	Economic data collection	Who is required to submit an EDC?	Consequence for failure to submit (In addition to consequences listed below, failure to submit an EDC may be a violation of the MSA.)
	(ii) Annual/ ongoing	All owners, lessees, and charterers of a	(C) For a vessel lessee or charterer, participation in the groundfish fishery will not be authorized, until the required EDC for their operation of that vessel is submitted. (A) For permit owner, an MS permit application will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that permit owner associated with
	(2011 and be- yond) economic data.	mothership vessel registered to an MS permit at any time in 2011 and beyond.	that permit is submitted, as specified at § 660.25(b)(4)(i). (B) For a vessel owner, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, changes in vessel registration) will not be authorized until the required EDC for that owner for that vessel is submitted, as specified, in part, at § 660.25(b)(4)(v).
			(C) For a vessel lessee or charterer, participation in the groundfish fishery will not be authorized, until the required EDC for their operation of that vessel is submitted.
(3) Catcher processors.	(i) Baseline (2009 and 2010) economic	All owners, lessees, and charterers of a catcher processor vessel that har- vested whiting in	 (A) For permit owner, a C/P-endorsed limited entry trawl permit application will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that permit owner associated with that permit is submitted, as specified at § 660.25(b)(4)(i). (B) For a vessel owner, participation in the groundfish fishery (including,
	data.	2009 or 2010 as recorded in NMFS' NORPAC database.	but not limited to, changes in vessel registration) will not be authorized until the required EDC for that owner for that vessel is submitted, as specified, in part, at §660.25(b)(4)(v). (C) For a vessel lessee or charterer, participation in the groundfish fish-
	(ii) Annual/ ongoing	All owners, lessees, and charterers of a	ery will not be authorized, until the required EDC for their operation of that vessel is submitted. (A) For permit owner, a C/P-endorsed limited entry trawl permit application will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that
	(2011 and be- yond) economic data.	catcher processor vessel registered to a C/P-endorsed limited entry trawl permit at any time in 2011 and be- yond.	permit owner associated with that permit is submitted, as specified at § 660.25(b)(4)(i). (B) For a vessel owner, participation in the groundfish fishery (including, but not limited to, changes in vessel registration) will not be authorized until the required EDC for that owner for that vessel is submitted, as specified, in part, at § 660.25(b)(4)(v).
		yorid.	(C) For a vessel lessee or charterer, participation in the groundfish fishery will not be authorized, until the required EDC for their operation of that vessel is submitted.
(4) First receivers/ shorebased processors.	(i) Baseline (2009 and 2010) economic data.	All owners and lessees of a shorebased processor and all buyers that received groundfish or whiting harvested with a limited entry trawl permit as listed in the PacFIN database in 2009 or 2010.	A first receiver site license application for a particular physical location for processing and buying will not be considered complete until the required EDC for the applying processor or buyer is submitted, as specified at § 660.140(f)(3).
	(ii) Annual/ ongoing (2011 and be- yond) economic data.	(A) All owners of a first receiver site li- cense in 2011 and beyond.	A first receiver site license application will not be considered complete until the required EDC for that license owner associated with that license is submitted, as specified at §660.140(f)(3). See paragraph (b)(4)(ii)(A) of this table.
		(B) All owners and lessees of a shorebased proc- essor (as defined under "processor" at § 660.11, for pur- poses of EDC) that received round or	
		headed-and-gutted IFQ species groundfish or whit- ing from a first re- ceiver in 2011 and beyond.	

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- (c) Submission of the EDC form and deadline—(1) Submission of the EDC form. The complete, certified EDC form must be submitted to ATTN: Economic Data Collection Program (FRAM Division), NMFS, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, 2725 Montlake Boulevard East, Seattle, WA 98112. A complete EDC form contains responses for all data fields, which include but are not limited to costs, labor, earnings, activity in a fishery, vessel or plant characteristics, value, quota, operational information, location of expenditures and earnings, ownership information and leasing information.
- (2) Deadline. Complete, certified EDC forms must be mailed and postmarked by or hand-delivered to NMFS NWFSC no later than September 1, 2011, for baseline data, and, for the annual/ongoing data collection beginning September 1, 2012, September 1 each year for the prior year's data.
- (d) Confidentiality of information. Information received on an EDC form will be considered confidential under applicable law and guidance.
- (e) EDC audit procedures—(1) NMFS reserves the right to conduct verification of economic data with the submitter of the form. NMFS may employ a third party agent to conduct the audits.
- (2) The submitter of the EDC form must respond to any inquiry by NMFS or a NMFS agent within 20 days of the date of issuance of the inquiry, unless an extension is granted by NMFS.
- (3) The submitter of the form must provide copies of additional data to facilitate verification by NMFS or NMFS' agent upon request. The NMFS auditor may review and request copies of additional data provided by the submitter, including but not limited to, previously audited or reviewed financial statements, worksheets, tax returns, invoices, receipts, and other original documents substantiating the economic data submitted.

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§ 660.120 Trawl fishery—crossover provisions.

The crossover provisions listed at §660.60(h)(7), apply to vessels fishing in the limited entry trawl fishery.

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§ 660.130 Trawl fishery—management measures.

- (a) General. Limited entry trawl vessels are those vessels registered to a limited entry permit with a trawl endorsement and those vessels registered to an MS permit. Most species taken in limited entry trawl fisheries will be managed with quotas (see §660.140), allocations or set-asides (see §660.150 or §660.160), or cumulative trip limits (see trip limits in Tables 1 (North) and 1 (South) of this subpart), size limits (see $\S660.60$ (h)(5), subpart C), seasons (see Pacific whiting at §660.131(b), subpart D), gear restrictions (see paragraph (b) of this section) and closed areas (see paragraph (e) of this section and §§ 660.70 through 660.79, subpart C). The trawl fishery has gear requirements and harvest limits that differ by the type of trawl gear on board and the area fished. Groundfish vessels operating south of Point Conception must adhere to CCA restrictions (see paragraph (e)(1) of this section and §660.70, subpart C). The trip limits in Tables 1 (North) and 1 (South) of this subpart apply to vessels participating in the limited entry groundfish trawl fishery and may not be exceeded. Federal commercial groundfish regulations are not intended to supersede any more restrictive state commercial groundfish regulations relating to federally-managed groundfish.
- (b) Trawl gear requirements and restrictions. Trawl nets may be fished with or without otter boards, and may use warps or cables to herd fish.
- (1) Codends. Only single-walled codends may be used in any trawl. Double-walled codends are prohibited.
- (2) Mesh size. Groundfish trawl gear must meet the minimum mesh size requirements in this paragraph. Mesh size requirements apply throughout the net. Minimum trawl mesh sizes are: Bottom trawl, 4.5 inches (11.4 cm); midwater trawl, 3.0 inches (7.6 cm).